GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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LPG DISTRIBUTORSHIPS IN JAMNAGAR GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a): whether the petrol pumps and LPG agencies have been allotted in Jamnagar andother districts of Gujarat from January 1, 2000 to date;

(b): if so, the details thereof;

(c): whether the complaints of corruption and recommendations have come to the notice in these allotments;

(d): if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon alongwith the outcome thereof;

(e): whether it is the policy of the Government to open a LPG agency and petrol pump inevery village and city having a population of 15,000 people; and

(f): if so, the places where petrol pumps and LPG agencies opened or to be opened having a population of 15,000 people in Gujarat?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) & (b): 53 retail outlet dealerships, including one in Jamnagar district and 89 LPG distributorships, including five in Jamnagar district, have been allotted in the State of Gujarat since January 1, 2000.

(c) & (d): Certain complaints received against the selections for dealerships/distributorships in Gujarat were investigated in accordance with the Grievance Redressal System provided in the guidelines for selection of dealers/distributors.

(e & (f): After the dismantling of the Administered Pricing Mechanism (APM) with effect from 1.4.2002, the Oil Companies are free to choose locations and set up retail outlet dealerships/LPG distributorships depending upon economic viability.